

Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement

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NOTICE COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING FOR THE St. James Park Capital Vision and Levitt Pavilion Project & Environmental Impact Report

The Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement of the City of San José will hold a Community and Public Scoping Meeting for the proposed project and associated Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The purpose of this meeting is to describe the proposed project, the environmental review process, and to obtain your input on the project and issues you wish to see discussed in the EIR analysis. This Community and EIR Public Scoping Meeting will be held in compliance with the City's Public Outreach Policy (6-30) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended.

Project Description: File No. PP16-037 – The project includes both physical and programmatic changes to St. James Park, a seven-acre urban park in downtown San José, which includes the development of an outdoor performing arts pavilion (Levitt Pavilion). Potential physical changes include, but are not limited to: construction of the Levitt Pavilion, removal or relocation of existing historical markers and fountains, removal and replacement of non-Heritage Trees, hardscape improvements, construction of structures for restrooms and commercial uses (i.e. cafes and vendors), and the temporary or permanent closure of N. 2nd Street to private vehicles. The proposed Levitt Pavilion is an approximately 7,000-spectator outdoor music and performance venue with lighting and sound amplification. The final physical park design will be determined through a design competition. Potential programmatic changes include music and performing arts events at the Levitt Pavilion, the introduction of commercial uses into the park (i.e. a café or vendors), street performers, festivals, and a farmers market, all in an urban park setting. Project Location: St. James Park, bordered by East St. James Street to the north, East St. John Street to the south, North 1st Street to the west, and North 3rd Street to the east. Council District: 3.

The Community and EIR Public Scoping Meeting will be held:

When: Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Where:

San Jose First United Methodist Church

24 N 5th Street, San Jose, CA 95112

The meeting will consist of two parts:

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

- Community Meeting: The first part of the meeting will be an introduction to the proposed St. James Capital Vision and Levitt Pavilion project.
- Public Scoping Meeting: The second part of the meeting will serve as an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) public scoping meeting for City staff to describe the proposed project's environmental review process and to obtain your input on issues you wish to see discussed in the EIR analysis for the proposal. You are welcome to attend and give us your input on the scope of the EIR so that it addresses all relevant environmental issues. The Notice of Preparation for the EIR is available for review online in the EIR Library of the City of San Jose's Planning Division web site: http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning.

Comments and questions on the proposed project should be referred to Rebekah Ross, the Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services Project Manager (rebekah.ross@sanjoseca.gov or (408) 535-3804). Comments and questions regarding the scope of the EIR should be referred to Krinjal Mathur, the Assistant Environmental Project Manager (krinjal.mathur@sanjoseca.gov or (408) 535-7874).

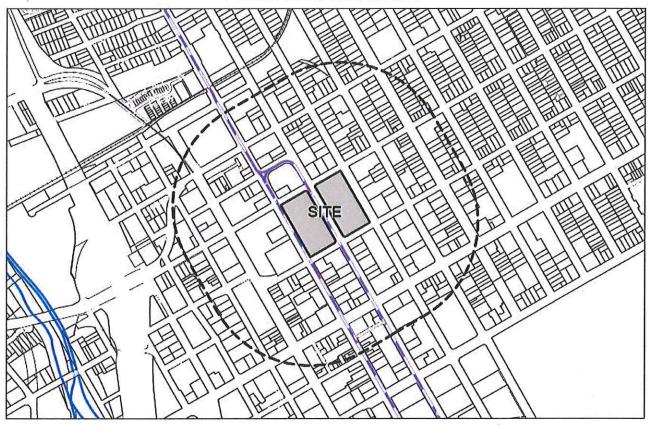
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Date 524 2016

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



MEETING LOCATION MAP

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